

## RIFLE SHOTS AT G.A.R. CAMP

Work of Great National Rifle Association to Be Shown Veterans in October—Potent Peace Factor—Its Aim

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—Announcement today that the National Rifle Association of America will participate in the Conference on National Defense, which is to be held in Washington October 4-7, immediately following the Grand Army of the Republic encampment, will be of great interest to the veterans who will attend the encampment and the conference.

In the Union armies of the civil war were hundreds of thousands of good shots and thousands of expert marksmen and sharpshooters. Many of these "dead shots" will attend the Washington encampment and will pay particular attention to that section of the National Defense Conference which will consider the training of the citizenry of this country in the use of the military rifle.

Col. John McElroy, past senior vice commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, says that training in the use of the rifle is one of the most important subjects to be considered at the conference.

"Good riflemen among the citizens are the best nucleus for our volunteer armies," declared Colonel McElroy today.

The National Rifle Association of America claims to be the oldest and most practical peace society in this country. It was organized in 1871 for the purpose of teaching the citizens of the country how to efficiently handle the army rifle, thus making its citizens capable of becoming efficient volunteers to defend their country in time of need.

Officers of the Association claim that if there were in this country a million citizens trained in the use of the service arm that it would be a more potent factor in the maintenance of peace than the ordnance of a million peace-at-any-price men. This National Association receives no federal support and its work has been maintained by the donations of patriotic citizens through the taking of life memberships.

Among such men may be mentioned ex-President Taft and Roosevelt, ex-Senator Root, former Secretary of State Robert Bacon, former Secretary of the Navy Meyer, former Secretary of War Dickinson and Wright, Senators Wetmore and Warren and such prominent business leaders as J. Edgar, John W. Wamamaker, H. C. Frick, George Westinghouse and hundreds of others. Ex-Senator Root says of the work of the N. R. A.:

"The purposes of the National Rifle Association of America are of the greatest importance and the methods by which it proposes to attain them are simple, direct and suited to American life and character."

The Association is carrying on a campaign for one thousand life members, the income from the fund to be used for the promotion of rifle shooting as a recognized sport in the schools and colleges of the country.

A great impetus was given to rifle training among citizens by the passage of an act by Congress last year authorizing the free distribution of Krag rifles and ammunition to rifle clubs and the work organizing the clubs and carrying on the training was put in the hands of the National Rifle Association by the Secretary of War. Since that time over 200 clubs have been organized and to them has been issued 306 Krag rifles and 550,150 rounds of ammunition.

The National Rifle Association has asked the War Department to approve a measure for the adoption of a national policy of range construction, claiming that the proposition to train civilians of the country can never amount to anything from a national standpoint until ranges are provided where the citizens can shoot. There has been a great demand by writers on military subjects and the press in general for the adoption by this country of a modified Swiss system, but most of these writers overlook the fact that this line of thought is a system of rifle training, the important feature of a soldier's duties which are greatly neglected in this country. Provision also must be made to furnish government rifle clubs with ammunition and target supplies as well as ranges, and army officers should be detailed as instructors and supervisors for these clubs.

At the present time there are enrolled as members of the National Rifle Association shooting under its rules and regulations, and making annual reports of their work, 500 government rifle clubs, 110 school and college clubs, all training with the military rifle.

### GROWTH OF SPORT

Another indication of the growth of sport in this country is found in the manner in which the seasons overlap. Within a month the first football games of 1915 will be under way, with the pennant races in the major leagues still several weeks from completion. By the time the last contest of the world's series has been settled the gridiron teams of the larger universities will be facing opponents who secretly cherish the idea that they are about to upset all football traditions by racing through and around the big fellows' lines for double figure scores.

### BASEBALL HONESTY?

The 19-inning game between the Fairbury and York teams of the Nebraska state league, won by a home-run drive over the fence just twenty-four hours before the league disbanded, will hardly be cited as a brief by those who doubt the honesty of baseball.

### PITCHER SHERROD SMITH LOOKS FOR TELEPHONE

While Sherrod Smith was beating Chicago recently, some of the old stories relative to the eccentric heaver were recalled by a scribe who was with the Pirates when Smith was tried out. On the first railroad night trip Smith insisted on a "down" berth, as he was liable to fall out of a "high one up." In the middle of the night Hack Gibson woke Smith up and told him he was wanted on the long-distance telephone. "Must be something wrong down in mah home in Alabama," said Smith, as he hustled out of the upper berth. The train was going about sixty miles an hour. After ten minutes of fruitless search for the telephone, Smith realized he was the butt of the joke and crawled back into bed, threatening dire vengeance on Gibson. Some great stories are told of the unsophistication of Smith when he first got into the big show.

### COAST LEAGUE

Schedule Week Aug. 24 to 29

Los Angeles at Portland  
Salt Lake at Oakland  
San Francisco at Vernon

### Ocean-to-Ocean Highway Bulletin

Trinidad, Colo., Aug. 18, 1915. Slight rains throughout this section of the state. Roads are being dragged daily. No washouts.

O. W. FOX.

Raton, N. M., Aug. 18, 1915. Roads are in very good condition from Trinidad, Colo., to Las Vegas, N. M.

E. C. SPERRY.

E. Las Vegas, N. M., Aug. 18, 1915. We are still having local rains. But the roads are in fair condition.

WILLIAM WHALER.

Magdalena, N. M., Aug. 18, 1915. The Ocean to Ocean Highway east and west of Magdalena in good condition, tourists making good time and report travel conditions satisfactory.

J. S. MACTAVISH.

Springerville, Ariz., Aug. 18, 1915. Road from here east in very good condition, although several local showers, but did not interfere with travel. Road over mountains to Globe good with exception of stretch from Black River, which is rough but passable.

GUSTAV BECKER.

Pt. Apache, Ariz., Aug. 18, 1915. Roads beyond Black River still very bad. Advise against traveling.

W. M. PETERSON, Supt.

Yuma, Ariz., Aug. 18, 1915. Road conditions are practically the same as reported last week. The new Gila River bridge is open to travel, though there is still some work to be done on the approaches. I understand the roads are quite passable now by way of the new bridge to Pahrump, cutting off some twenty odd miles of distance between Phoenix and Yuma. Will furnish you an accurate log of this part of the road as soon as possible. We have had no rain at all in this section and the temperature while high, does not interfere at all with tourist travel.

J. A. KETCHERSIDE.

### American League

**MACK HAS A PITCHER**  
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 22.—The visitors scored in four innings by reason of errors and timely hitting. Knowlson, while wild, held the locals to two hits, each a double by Smith. His error allowed Smith to score Cleveland's lone run. Score:

R. H. E.  
Cleveland.....1 2 4  
Philadelphia.....8 12 2  
Batteries—Hagman, Jones, Harstad, Brenton and O'Neill; Knowlson and Lapp.

**SOX WIN TWICE**  
CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—The locals played an uphill battle in the first until the eighth, when Cole weakened and the visitors' infield wavered. A pinch hitter singled with the tying run on the bases. Before Cole could be taken out he walked J. Collins, forcing in the winning run. In the second, Faber had an easy time against the visitors and was given great support. Score:

R. H. E.  
Chicago.....5 6 2  
New York.....2 7 3  
Batteries—Benz, Russell, Schalk; Cole, Shawkey and Alexander.  
Second game—R. H. E.  
Chicago.....5 11 1  
New York.....0 10 2  
Batteries—Faber and Schalk; Brown, Pieh and Nunamaker.

**JOHNSON STOPS TIGERS**  
DETROIT, Aug. 22.—The largest crowd ever on Navin field saw the games. Johnson held the Tigers to three hits in the first. Dauss pitched brilliantly in the second and the game was in doubt until Young's brilliant double play in the ninth cleared the bases. The locals had won nine straight before Johnson stopped them. Score:

R. H. E.  
Washington.....8 11 1  
Detroit.....1 3 2  
Batteries—Johnson and Williams; Dubois, Steen, Oldham, Boland and Baker; Stange.

**LEONARD'S STRIKE OUTS**  
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 22.—Poster and Leonard were too much for the locals. The latter set a new season strikeout

### BASEBALL BOOKKEEPING

#### STANDING OF THE CLUBS

National League				
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.	
Philadelphia	59	48	.551	
Brooklyn	61	52	.540	
Boston	56	54	.509	
Pittsburgh	57	57	.500	
Chicago	55	58	.485	
New York	51	55	.481	
St. Louis	53	60	.463	
Cincinnati	51	61	.455	

American League				
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.	
Boston	73	37	.664	
Detroit	74	40	.649	
Chicago	69	42	.617	
Washington	57	54	.515	
New York	52	54	.491	
Cleveland	42	69	.379	
St. Louis	41	71	.366	
Philadelphia	35	74	.321	

Federal League				
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.	
Newark	63	49	.563	
Kansas City	64	50	.562	
Pittsburgh	61	50	.550	
Chicago	63	52	.548	
St. Louis	59	54	.522	
Buffalo	56	65	.463	
Brooklyn	53	64	.453	
Baltimore	39	74	.345	

Coast League				
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.	
Los Angeles	82	62	.569	
San Francisco	77	65	.542	
Vernon	72	68	.514	
Salt Lake	65	73	.471	
Oakland	65	79	.450	
Portland	60	74	.448	

#### WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY

**National League**  
Pittsburgh at Boston.  
Cincinnati at Brooklyn.  
St. Louis at New York.  
Chicago at Philadelphia.

**American League**  
New York at Chicago.  
Boston at St. Louis.

**Federal League**  
Brooklyn at Baltimore.  
St. Louis at Chicago.  
Kansas City at Pittsburgh.

**Coast League**  
No games scheduled.

#### HARTSEL IS OUT

Fred (Topey) Hartsel, veteran outfielder, has been added to baseball. He has returned to his home in Toledo after turning in his Fort Wayne, Central league, uniform and announcing that his diamond career was at an end. Hartsel began playing professional ball in 1897, passing in turn through the minor leagues and back to the minor leagues again during his twenty years of baseball. His best game was played when a member of the Chicago Nationals and the Philadelphia Athletics. For ten years he was a member of the Athletics under Connie Mack, playing in the World's series of 1905 and 1910.

#### THESE FEDS ARE NO "PIKERS"

Just about the gamiest lot of sportsmen ever known in baseball are these Federal League club owners.

Back in 1913 they were known to fight the great entrenched monopoly known as Organized Ball—without players, organization, any great amount of money or experience. They lost heavily and were looked upon as a joke by the old-timers. Last year the league expanded and made Organized Ball sit up and take notice with a vengeance.

Still further expansion came this year with better baseball and better prospects, and much heavier financial backing. Now comes the positive announcement that the Feds will be in New York city next season and have a war fund of one million dollars. And, as we happen to know, this is no idle boast.

Most of the clubs are still losing money, some of them big money, but, as the handsome and debonaire President Gilmore remarks, what do they care if the clubs lose \$25,000 apiece every year. Most of the clubs are backed by men of millions, for whom the losses are mere bagatelles and who purpose to win out no matter what the cost. Unfortunately, the Baltimore club owners are not so rich as some of the others.

No "pikers"—believe us—are these Federal league magnates. Keep your eyes on them next season. Baltimore is lucky, indeed, to be on such a circuit. It is a major league circuit, all right and it's constantly growing—Baltimore Evening Sun.

record by fanning fourteen in the second game. He struck out one or two every inning and twice with the bases filled. He fanned every man that faced him save Shotton.

R. H. E.  
St. Louis.....1 4 2  
Boston.....6 10 1  
Batteries—Kooib, Hamilton and Agnew; Foster and Cady.  
Second game—R. H. E.  
St. Louis.....3 7 6  
Boston.....5 6 2  
Batteries—Loudenik, Popp and Severoid, Leonard and Thomas.

### National League

No games scheduled.

#### COAST LEAGUE

Vernon, 1; Oakland, 1 (if innings, called time limit).  
Second game: Oakland, 9; Vernon, 3.

Salt Lake, 3; Portland, 2.  
Los Angeles, 5; San Francisco, 1.  
Second game: Los Angeles, 5; San Francisco, 6.

#### FEDERAL LEAGUE

Chicago, 4; Buffalo, 0.  
Newark, 2-3; Pittsburgh, 1-1.

## COCHISE COUNTY BOND ELECTION IN OCTOBER

With the completion early in October of the cost survey of the 512 miles of proposed highway system in Cochise county, the question of a bond issue of almost a million dollars for good roads will be voted on at a special election. The work of securing an estimate of the cost of grading, surfacing and constructing culverts on the roads already selected for improvement is now being carried on by County Engineer Ryan. Good roads advocates have been hard at work in Cochise county, and it is expected that the supervisors will call an election as soon as the cost data is prepared and that work on the roads can begin before the first of next year. A bond issue of from \$800,000 to \$900,000 is contemplated.

## REGIMENT BAND

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ning in a special car over the Southern Pacific for San Francisco, where a two weeks engagement will be played. En route the band will have a two hour wait at Los Angeles and will give a concert at Santa Barbara. During the two weeks at San Francisco the members of the band will be quartered in the building constructed for the use of United States troops on the exposition grounds, and will have the privilege of seeing all military organizations while at the exposition. Concerts will also be given in Golden Gate park.

Before leaving for San Diego, the band will play at the Greek open-air theater at Berkeley and also at Palo Alto, both universities having arranged for concerts. On September 12 the band will play at Ocean Park, the occasion being the annual banquet of the Arizonians of Southern California. The day following the band will be the chief attraction at Ocean Park.

At San Diego, where the band will play another two weeks' engagement, there will be concerts with the great outdoor organ accompanying. The band will be accompanied by violin and soprano soloists on the trip to the coast cities.

Last night's program was chosen from the band's large repertoire by Lieut. Francis H. Redewill, director of the organization, who has worked untiringly to bring the band to its present high standard. The program follows:

March—National Emblem.....Biglow  
Overture—Lustspiel.....Keler-Bela  
Medley Overture—Remick's Hits No. 15  
Duet—The Screaming Four, Sgt. J. Cosna; clarinet, Sgt. R. Vincent.  
Overture—Hungarian Comedy.....Keler  
Concert Waltz—Impassioned Dream.....J. Rosas  
March—Regimental Pride.....J. C. Heed

## ITALY IN WAR FORCES

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group. It is for them to decide which side will likely win.

The continued retirement of the Russian army seems to have little, if any, influence on the situation, the opinion being expressed by military critics that a victory for the entente allies in the Dardanelles would more than offset the Russian advance, but this is concerned and the Franco-British forces are increasing their efforts to force the straits.

There is little change in Poland and the Baltic provinces. A big battle is being fought along the Kovno-Vilna railway and the River Niemen. This, however, is of secondary importance.

The movement against Brest-Litovsk. The Austro-German forces are across the rivers and the roads both north and south of this fortress, which is invested on three sides and curiosity is evinced whether Nicholas intends to defend it or fall further back. For the moment he is resisting the Austro-German advance, but this may be only with the rear guards which have been detailed to inflict as much loss as possible to the invaders and delay their progress.

Livelihood prevailed at some points on the western front but the engagements have been of minor importance. The French claims to have repulsed the German attacks in Artois and the Vosges. The Italians report slight progress along all their fronts.

#### THREE STEAMERS DESTROYED

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]  
LONDON, Aug. 22.—The steamers Windoor and Cober, were sunk, and the "William Dawson" blown up. Five of the Dawson's crew were lost.

#### A HARD BLOW AT CANDIDATES

Reading, Pa.—What is the country coming to, or rather going to, when the great state of Pennsylvania strikes a deadly blow at one of its chief industries—the business of running for office. The word has gone forth from the state capital that candidates must presently themselves have returned to the back roads hereafter. The latter are comparatively little traveled and so cards placed there do the candidates very little good. Cards posted along state highways are chased as advertising and are forbidden by a new law passed last spring and now in force.

The agitation against the cards was really begun by motorists. Very few road officials knew of the new law, but the motorists' clubs, which had the law passed, know all about the possibilities. The cards are fastened with sharp pointed tacks. When winds and storms occur many cards are torn down and with them often falls the tack, point upward, on the highways. Many a tire, rolling forth in pomp, puffed up and full of air, loathes its substance when pierced by the humble tack.

Township supervisors throughout the state have been ordered to remove cards already up and to prevent others from being posted under penalty of law.

## SUPERVISORS STRONG FOR UNIFORM COSTS

The supervisors of Cochise and Pima counties are strongly in favor of adopting the system of uniform cost statements and the reference of all road claims to the county engineers, according to E. D. Adams of the state engineering department who has just returned from a trip to Cochise and Pima counties.

The matter of uniform cost reports was one of the measures recommended at the recent conference of highway engineers at Flagstaff, and an effort will be made to have it adopted by every county in the state. While in the south, Adams visited the guard camp at Tombstone Canyon, where sixty prisoners are cutting a road four miles through the solid rock. He reports the work there progressing rapidly.

## ALLIES OF CENTRAL

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dreds of thousands in addition have been wounded or otherwise incapacitated. Even admitting that the Russian armies who faced the Austro-Germans at the beginning of May had a fighting strength of four million men—a figure which is rather too high—those armies lost in three months between twenty-five and thirty per cent of their effective resources in men. Besides, there are hardly any officers left, a fact indicated by the extraordinary disproportion of officers to men among the prisoners captured. The ratio often amounts to four or five officers to a thousand men, whereas the normal proportion would be thirty to a thousand men. The loss of more than one-third of Russia's guns, and the known lack of ammunition, are factors of vital value, which, taken with the other losses, leave no doubt that the offensive power of Russia is broken, at least for the time being.

It is not likely that she will be able to resume an active part in the operations before the beginning of next year, of possibly not until next spring.

A situation of advantage for the Dual Allies is presented in the Turkish theatre of events, as in the western and eastern regions. The Ottoman Empire joined the Austro-Germans on vital considerations of self-preservation. The Turks knew that Russia and her Allies were bent upon driving her out of Europe, and a Russian or a British victory would mean the end of Turkey. The Ottomans, therefore, did not hesitate to attach themselves to their natural Allies, the Germans and the Austro-Hungarians. How effective from the military standpoint has proved this combination of forces can be seen by a brief glance at the situation at the Dardanelles. The historic straits have proved a common grave for the Allies of the Triple Entente; powerful battleships have been sunk in Turkish waters; British and French regiments have been decimated, all to no purpose, as the Dardanelles have been made well-nigh impregnable even to the attacks of such formidable ships as the Queen Elizabeth. The glorious traditions of the gallant Turkish soldiers, this time reinforced by German efficiency, have been confirmed anew by their heroic resistance to the desperate onslaughts of the Allies.

Italy, forgetful of her pledges and repudiating her national honor, has been misled into perpetrating the most shocking act of treachery, under circumstances which soon will be explained in detail in this country. From a military point of view the Italians are making what must be admitted to be a poor showing, despite the preparations which they had been carrying on for many months before their intervention in behalf of the Triple Entente. Austria-Hungary was forced, however reluctantly, to the realization that she had been faithful for more than thirty years to an ally who was ready to ignore all her own obligations when the first occasion arose whereby she might benefit by disloyalty. The superior leadership and fighting qualities of the Austro-Hungarian troops, however, are once more asserting themselves against the Italian naval and military forces. The political consequences of Italy's unprecedented treachery will be far reaching.

Greece and other Balkan states which might have been induced to align themselves with the Triple Entente are now more than ever inclined to maintain their neutrality. The outlook for the Dual Alliance in the Balkans has improved decidedly since the first stages of the war, Bulgaria has reached an understanding with Turkey, and Rumania is freely selling her grain and her mineral oil to the Central powers.

**Starvation Program Fails**  
It has now become conclusively evident that the attempt of the Allies to starve the civilian population of Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey has ended in complete failure. It may be conceded that the arbitrary interference with neutral trade in non-contraband goods on the part of Great Britain has caused much inconvenience and some suffering to innocent civilians of the new Triple Alliance, but the ultimate aim of this high-handed policy has been frustrated, and Germany and Austria-Hungary as well as Turkey have convinced the world that they are self-supporting and cannot be starved. The British insular idea that the British navy can effectively blockade the coast of the enemy countries, and thus ruin those countries, dates back to the Napoleonic struggle and the civil war in this country. It is an antiquated conception of the obsolete British Admiralty. This year's harvest has been gathered, and the crops are so plentiful that Germany and Austria-Hungary are amply assured of food supplies until the next harvest. The temporary discontinuance of the use of copper for electro-technical purposes has made the existing stock of the metal available for the manufacture of ammunition and other war

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materials. Should the supply run short, the chemists and engineers of Austria-Hungary and Germany have demonstrated their ability to produce substitutes. Prices of all commodities in the countries of the new Triple Alliance have not risen to a higher level than they have attained in proud Albion, which claims to rule the ocean-ways. Germany's submarine warfare has caused a constant rise in prices in the British markets, and this economic feature has contributed greatly to the unpopularity of the war among the laboring classes of Britain.

The remarkable achievements of the Krupps, in Essen, of the Skodas, in Pilsen, and of many other industrial works engaged in the manufacture of war materials for the German and Austro-Hungarian armies have revolutionized all traditions of warfare. The complete success of these enterprises is strikingly illustrated by the production of such mighty implements as the 30.5 and the 42 centimeter guns which batter down fortifications hitherto regarded as impregnable to all attacks of the most powerful artillery that could be devised.

To these conditions in the Teutonic countries the status of productive activity in the Triple Entente powers presents a significant contrast. In Great Britain, especially, the industrial organization is manifestly on a low level of efficiency, and the British social policy is largely responsible for the increasing disaffection of British labor. The fact that the Triple Entente countries have found it necessary to create special departments of government to promote the manufacture of munitions indicates an inconceivable administrative short-sightedness in the past. A lack of ammunition and war material of all descriptions is a vital feature of the situation in all the countries opposed to the Austro-Germans. The tremendous orders placed by the Allies with existing American plants or those in process of establishment for the purpose, involve an ever-increasing indebtedness and a large export of gold to this country. By contrast in Germany and Austro-Hungary all the money spent for war supplies remains at home and maintains the home industries.

The war loans of the various countries involved in the conflict furnish a significant commentary upon the relative positions of the opposing groups of powers. The magnificent success of the loans floated in Germany and Austro-Hungary compared favorably with the financial operations of their enemies, France has proved wholly unprepared for the heavy financial burden which she has undertaken, and the French middle classes have shown no signs of a willingness to give up their savings for war bonds of doubtful value.

In Italy the war loan has been a splendid failure, or use the Italian word, a fiasco. Russia finds itself in a most distressing financial condition. Russian paper money is subject to a discount of forty per cent, and a Russian loan is practically an impossibility.

Great Britain's financial resources, however great, are not inexhaustible and the consequences of the terrific strain already are being felt in the United Kingdom. England will be unable to continue indefinitely in her role of banker to the Allies. Despite the announcement of the success of the 4½ per cent British loan by news agencies and official reports it is apparent that transaction has proved a failure. Considerable depreciation is shown in the value of stocks rated at many billions of dollars, now forced to a 3 and 3½ per cent basis under the depressing effects of news conversion of British consols from 2½ to 4½ per cent. Indications are not lacking that Great Britain's wealth will be exhausted if the war lasts another year—and Kitchener's fanciful prediction is that it will last considerably longer than that.

To sum up the situation, it can be asserted confidently that the position of Austria-Hungary and Germany is most encouraging from a military, economic and financial point of view. These countries have suffered from the war, but their enemies have suffered far more than they. The second year of the conflict has begun under the most promising auspices for the Allies of Central Europe.

#### NEW COAST BULLFROG

California is grooming another high jumper to take the place of George Horne and Eddie Beeson when the spring has departed from the legs of the latter pair. The now leaping prodigy is Ira Jacobs, an 18-year-old schoolboy, who is clearing better than six feet consistently and with little effort.

## DAUGHTERS OF THE KING OF BULGARIA